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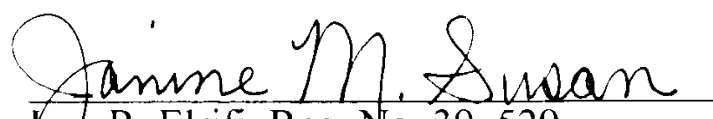
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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Examiner's March 26, 2003 final Office Action in the above-identified application. A check in the amount of \$160.00 for filing this appeal is enclosed herewith, as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b).

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 24299-502. A duplicate copy of this Notice is enclosed.

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